

CONGRESS PUTS OFF WORK OVER THE HOLIDAYS

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TO RECONVENE
JANUARY FOUR

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[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]
WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Congress adjourned tonight for the Christmas holidays after the senate had adopted the joint resolution which passed the house yesterday extending the emergency revenue law one year, or until December 31, 1916. The senate adopted the resolution after a lively partisan debate, by a vote of 45 to 29, democratic supporters of the extension, and republicans opposing it. President Wilson signed the measure tonight.

Both houses will reconvene at noon Tuesday, January 4, when the administrative program, including the plan for national defense, will be undertaken in earnest.

During the two weeks of the session the only important legislation was the extension of the war tax. This was done to prevent a lapse of the law December 31 next with the understanding that the law will be taken up for amendment in order to increase the revenue as soon after the holidays as possible.

Upon the adjournment tonight there was a general exodus of members for their homes. The day in the house had been devoted to speeches on national defense.

Discussion of the war revenue revision in the senate resolved itself into a tariff argument, leading on to a discussion of the Underwood law as inadequate and condemning the general fiscal policy of the administration. Senator Underwood of Alabama, in his first speech, vigorously upheld the law which bears his name and challenged republicans to compare it with the Payne-Aldrich tariff.

Senator Simmons, chairman of the finance committee, in response to questions from the republicans, said he understood it to be the administration's plan to propose further revenue legislation after the holidays, and that his impression was there would be no issuance of bonds to defray increased expenses of the government, including the preparedness program.

Senator Penrose of Pennsylvania, who led the minority attack on the resolution, interrupted Senator Underwood's speech to draw a picture of the men in his state during his campaign for reelection last year. He said the present prosperity in the steel business was due to the war and immense purchases by belligerent governments.

"The senator from Pennsylvania," said Senator Underwood in reply, "has made clear his belief that the depression which followed the terror of the first few months of the war was due entirely to the democratic administration but that the present prosperity alone is due to the war."

"This discussion today, while not illuminative on the fiscal condition of the country, has clearly defined the issue between the two great parties on matters of legislation," Mr. Penrose said. "We are not committing a crime against the American people by reducing the custom house taxes and replacing them with taxation resting solely on the wealth of the country."

"The treasury deficit which is blamed on the European war," he said, "would in my opinion be a thousand times worse were it not for the war in Europe. The war in Europe has been the only cause which has saved the fiscal policy of the party now in power from the most gigantic collapse ever witnessed in a civilized country. I believe if we had not had the war in Europe we would have the blackest times in the history of the American republic, compared to what the depression under Cleveland's administration and under the Wilson-Germond law would have been insignificant."

Republicans who joined in the debate included Senators Lodge, Smoot, Gorman, Galinger and Weeks. Senators Thomas and Gore supported Senator Simmons and Underwood.

Additional Deputies Are Sworn In At Clifton

(Special to The Republican)
CLIFTON, ARIZ., Dec. 17.—Meeting in special session with the board of supervisors of Greenlee county and Sheriff J. G. Cash, a committee of the Clifton Citizens League organized a few days ago to secure protection for the citizens of this district, their lives and property, succeeded in having adopted today a resolution directing the sheriff to appoint eight additional deputies to be distributed

GERMANS PREPARING NEW STROKES ON THE EAST AND WEST FRONTS

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]

LONDON, Dec. 17.—While the diplomats in Greece and Rumania are engaged in new deals which will decide the next step in the Balkan operations there is increasing evidence that the Germans, ever restive, are preparing new strokes on both the eastern and western fronts, or at least a concentration of their forces to strike when conditions are propitious.

Dispatches from Petrograd note German activity, particularly in the Dvinsk district which would accord with the German ambition to reach the line of the Dvina river, while all accounts from neutral countries mentioned a continued movement of men and guns to the west. In the latter theater of operations it seems only a question of when the offensive is to be taken.

Many persons believe that the Germans, having found the lines in Flanders and Arras too hard to crack, contemplate moving in the South Miedel region, where their line penetrates to the river Meuse and where there has been considerable activity during the last few days. The only thing argued against this is that the river has been at flood and the French have been systematically destroying the bridges as they were rebuilt. Thus far, however, there has been little more doing than the usual mining and bombing operations, and aerial fighting in the west.

In the Balkan military operations are temporarily at a standstill, except in Montenegro and Albania, where

the Austrians and Bulgarians are carrying on mountain warfare against King Nicholas' troops and the Serbians. A big battle is in progress in the valley of the Albanian or Black Drin river between the Serbs and Bulgarians. At last report the Serbians have been reached in the fighting.

It is said, however, that the Bulgarians, who crossed the river, found the Serbians had been re-formed and were driven back with heavy losses. It is possible that the Serbian counter attacks were made possible by supplies having reached them from the Italians who landed on the Albanian coast and who are trying to open communication with the Serbs through that country. The Italians, it is understood, already have landed 30,000 men.

AFTER COYOTES AND ALSO DOGS

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Dec. 17.—E. T. Ross, sanitary inspector for the state board of health, who is in charge of the coyote war in Modoc county, plans to open a vigorous campaign on stray dogs and coyotes in Lassen county. He has secured the co-operation of the Lassen county supervisors as well as stock owners and citizens generally. The United States public health service has notified the authorities that five men will be sent to the campaign, who will be inaugurated at once.

ARRANGEMENTS COMPLETED FOR WEDDING OF PRESIDENT AND MRS. GALT THIS EVENING

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Arrangements were completed tonight for the wedding tomorrow evening of President Wilson and Mrs. Edith Bolling Galt. The ceremony will be solemnized at Mrs. Galt's home, in the presence of members of the two families.

All the guests who will be present are in Washington. Mrs. Frances B. Sears of Williamstown, Mass., the president's youngest daughter; Mrs. Anne Howe, his sister; and Mrs. Anne Cothran, his niece, arrived during the day and are guests at the White House. Others who came here were Dr. William Bolling of Louisville, Ky., and Ruffe E. Bolling of Panama, brothers of Mrs. Galt.

Most of the members of the wedding party will witness the christening at the White House at noon tomorrow of Ellen Wilson Meade, the seven-month-old daughter of Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. Meade, and the president's only granddaughter. The Rev. Herbert Scott Smith, rector of St. Margaret's Protestant Episcopal church here, who is to perform the

wedding ceremony, will officiate at the christening. President Wilson will act as godfather for the baby and her godmothers will be Mrs. Francis B. Sears, her aunt and Miss Helen Woodrow Jones, the president's cousin.

Decorators and florists were busy at Mrs. Galt's home today putting the final touches on the rooms to be used for the wedding ceremony and entertainment.

The De La Warr family is one of the oldest and most distinguished in England, the first Baron De La Warr having been created in 1299. The state of Delaware was named after one of the lords De La Warr.

Elaborate arrangements were made for guarding the house during the ceremony. All traffic will be diverted from the street and a heavy guard of police-men will be on duty. The wedding will go on duty about the house early in the evening.

Details of the wedding trip were kept secret tonight, but it is known that the couple will plan to leave Washington soon after the ceremony and go to some point in the south. There will be no effort to keep their whereabouts a secret.

MURDERED, SAYS CORONER, OF MAN FOUND ON DESERT

The body of an unknown prospector, badly mutilated about the head and with a bullet hole through just above the heart, was discovered yesterday morning about 5 miles southwest of Morrisburg.

The body was discovered by a man named O'Brien, who communicated his discovery to Harry N. Cox, proprietor of the store at Hot Springs Junction. Cox telephoned to the sheriff's office, and a posse composed of Jeff Adams, deputies George Bravner and George Sears, Clyde M. Gandy, county attorney and Stenographer Alice, immediately started for Hot Springs Junction to make an investigation.

They found that the man was undoubtedly a foreigner, about 35 years of age. He had sandy hair and a sandy mustache and blue eyes. That he had been murdered was the consensus of opinion of all who viewed the body. The head had been bled

caused in by some unknown instrument in the head of a strong man. In addition to this, there was a shot from a large calibered gun just above his heart.

What the motive could have been for the murder, is a mystery to the officials. He was in possession of a first-rate prospector's outfit, and a high priced gold watch and \$25.65 in cash were found on the body. It is surmised that he must have quarreled with some one, probably his partner, who killed him and fled, leaving the valuables. There were several clues leading those who viewed the spot where the body was found, to believe that there had been a fight.

The coroner from Wickenburg, John Ritz, accompanied the posse to Hot Springs Junction, and there held an inquest. The jury reached a verdict that "death was due to a gun shot wound and other injuries inflicted by an instrument in the hands of some unknown man."

The body was brought to Phoenix last night and taken to the undertaking parlors of J. T. Whitney. Gandy, Alice, Bravner and Harry Cox returned with the body. Sheriff Adams and Deputy Sears remained at the scene of the crime to follow a number of slight clues that turned up after their arrival.

It is conjectured by people who live in the vicinity of the place where the body was found, that the dead man had never been in that part of the country before. It was positively ascertained that no one in Hot Springs Junction had ever before seen him. It is thought that he had not been out on this trip very long as his clothes and outfit were almost new.

RUSSIAN TROOPS BLAMED

BERLIN, Dec. 14 (By wireless to Tuckerton, N. J.).—The Swedish papers, says the Overseas News Agency, now express the opinion that the interruption of telegraph service between Sweden and Russia is connected with the concentration of Russian troops in Finland on the Swedish frontier. The newspapers also considered the demonstrations of a similar kind are probable. This impression apparently has been caused by Sweden's unwillingness to submit to Anglo-Russian control, the news agency adds.

ELECTRIC RATES HEARING ENDS

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17.—Testimony in the investigation of the state railroad commission into the power and light rates of the San Joaquin Light and Power corporation and the Mount Whitney Power and Electric Company was closed today and the cases which were joined were taken under advisement. Several hearings had been held over a period of months.

Professor C. L. Cady, of the electrical engineering department of the University of California, as a witness called today the franchise of the Mount Whitney Power and Electric Company, which operates chiefly in Tulare county and a strip of Kern county, at \$17,500.

The investigations of the companies were joined because similar complaints had been received against the rates of each operating in competitive territory.

The San Joaquin Light and Power Corporation operates electricity in Merced, Madera, Fresno, Kings, Kern, and Tulare counties.

EARL DE LA WARR DIES AT MESSINA

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]
LONDON, Dec. 17.—Earl De La Warr died yesterday at Messina from rheumatism fever followed by pneumonia. He had been serving in the Dardanelles.

Gilbert George Reginald Sackville, the eighth Earl De La Warr, was 46 years old. He succeeded to the title in 1896. His long hair, which he wore in 12 years old, a student in Eton, is his heir.

Earl De La Warr in 1912 was wedded to his wife, the Countess De La Warr, for a restoration of her colonial rights. She charged that he had deserted her. The countess obtained a divorce from the earl.

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CARRANZA PLANS REFORM PROGRAM

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Prohibitions against bull fighting in one Mexican state and sale of intoxicating liquor in another have been decreed in connection with General Carranza's reform program. Copies of the decrees reached the Mexican embassy here today.

Governor Juan Alvarado of Yucatan, in addition to prohibiting liquor sales, declared effective throughout the state the agrarian reforms outlined in the Carranza platform and announced he would issue new treasury, public construction and employers' liability regulations.

In Jalisco Governor Berlanga's reforms include abolition of bull fighting, obligatory hours for laborers, reduction of hours of labor, a minimum wage, regulation of the liquor traffic and prohibition of gambling.

TRAIN STRIKES SCHOOL BUS

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]

BERTHOLD, N. D., Dec. 17.—Five school boys and a man were killed and another boy probably fatally injured when a Great Northern passenger train struck a bus loaded with school children at a railroad crossing during a heavy fog near here late this afternoon.

John Ahern, the driver of the bus, was the adult killed. The children, all under 16 years of age, were members of three families and were being taken from school, their homes near here. Leonard and Earl Miller, Sever and Anton Hagen and Harry Arnold were killed, and the latter brother Leonard is expected to die from injuries.

Buy Red Cross Seals and help eliminate the Great White Plague.



SECOND NOTE WILL GO TO AUSTRIA RENEWING DEMANDS OF AMERICA

United States Prepares to
Dispatch Another Message
to Austria-Hungary
on the Sinking of the
Italian Ship Ancona.

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—The United States prepared today to dispatch a second note to Austria-Hungary on the sinking of the Italian steamship Ancona. The communication will vigorously renew the demands made in the first note; none of them, according to official announcement by Secretary Lansing, having been complied with by the Vienna foreign office.

President Wilson probably will approve tomorrow the form the second note shall take after conference with Secretary Lansing. The secretary will act without further suggestion from the president, who will leave tomorrow night on his evening trip. Should the secretary determine, however, that the further course of the president is necessary, he will go to wherever the executive may be. Should the situation become still more acute the president may be forced to shorten his honeymoon and return to Washington.

From an authoritative Vienna source came the information tonight that the Vienna government had no desire of being the cause of diplomatic relations between the United States and Austria-Hungary severed. It was said that if the second note left an avenue for the foreign office probably would see fit to agree to all the demands made by the United States.

The second note will be called to Ambassador D'Amico for presentation to the Vienna foreign office at the earliest possible moment. It is considered probable that it will be started by Monday afternoon.

It has been determined, it was said tonight, that the note re-state the position and views of the United States emphatically, that it shall be even more vigorous than the first note, which was the most drastic of all the diplomatic communications the United States has sent during the present war.

The official text of the Austrian reply was considered today by the president and his cabinet. Apparently the official version contained nothing which made its meaning palatable different from the unofficial version circulated in news dispatches from London. After the cabinet meeting Mr. Lansing announced that none of the demands made by the United States had been accepted. It was explained that the reply contained further communication on the subject and more specific information in support of the charges made by the United States.

Official translation, Mr. Lansing said, made the meaning of the Austrian reply perfectly clear. The secretary had pronounced the unofficial version to be correct. Since the changes caused by verbal variations in translation existed between the two versions, he said, after seeing the official text, but the meaning in a broad sense was the same.

Such a rejoinder is wholly unsatisfactory and unacceptable to the American government, and increases the gravity of the situation between the two nations, it was declared.

In regard to the second note, Secretary Lansing and officials were reluctant to say anything. The United States expects its demands to be promptly complied with and such apparent procrastination as officials' answering the original inquiry for information, submitted soon after the Ancona disaster, will not be allowed to pass without action.

Prince Boublo, one of the attaches of the Austrian embassy, called at Secretary Lansing's office today and surft much speculation by leaving what appeared to be a communication. Later it was learned that the prince had left a number of dispatches in cipher, which he desired to transmit to his government. Coded messages of this character are required to pass through the state department before they can be wireless.

Messages it was said, contained reports of informal conferences Baron Zwickow, charge of the embassy, has had with Secretary Lansing as well.

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HORSES FOR WAR PERISH IN RIVER

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Nearly six hundred horses, valued at an average of \$200 each, consigned to direct France, for the use of allied armies, were drowned in the North river this afternoon when a large spring broke and sank. The animals were to be transferred to the steamer Anglo-California for transportation to France. Most of the horses were raised in Texas. The large went to the bottom soon after the loading of the animals on the steamer had begun.

SUFFRAGETTES VOTE AGAINST AMALGAMATION

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—A proposed amendment to the National Woman Suffrage act, which would give the vote to women of color, was defeated after a spirited debate at today's session of the association's annual convention. Authority was voted, however, for frequent conferences between the legislative committees of the two bodies of their fight before congress for a federal suffrage amendment.

Earlier in the session the association held its general election. Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt of New York, being chosen president without opposition to succeed Dr. Anna Howard Shaw.

Consideration of the remonstrance followed a report from a committee of five on a conference with a similar committee from the congressional union, which had suggested that the two organizations affiliate at the annual legislative committee conference. The committee report was adopted, rejecting the first suggestion and accepting the second.

Mrs. Modell McCormick of Chicago and Dr. Shaw vigorously opposed the suggestion.

The association believes in increasing the number of suffrage congressmen and senators, whatever their party, said Mrs. McCormick. "The union insists that a number who is to hold the doubtful position party responsible for the failure of congress to pass our amendment. The two theories are irreconcilable."

Miss Anne Martin of Nevada, Mrs. Glendover Evans of Massachusetts, Mrs. Barton F. Jenks of Rhode Island and Mrs. Helena Hildner of Connecticut, drew the attention of the association to the following officers: Vice president, Mrs. Frank M. Boushagh, Philadelphia; second vice president, Mrs. Stanley McCormick, New York; third vice president, Miss Esther Ogden, New Jersey; treasurer, Mrs. Henry Wade Rogers, Connecticut; corresponding secretary, Miss Hannah Patterson, Pennsylvania; recording secretary, Mrs. James Morrison, Illinois; auditor, Mrs. Walter McNaughton, Missouri; first adjutant, Mrs. Polly Rufford, Idaho; Alabama.

A remarkable oration was delivered by Dr. Shaw, who, suffering from a recent operation, becomes honorary president for life. As a band began to play a procession of suffrage leaders entered the hall carrying banners.

The delegates rose and joined in the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner" as the flowers were showered over Dr. Shaw.

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ENDS LIFE WHILE NURSE AND WIFE TRY TO SAVE HIM

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SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17.—George F. Herr, assistant cashier of the Anglo and London Bank National Bank of this city, killed himself today by sending a bullet through his head. Herr, who had been confined to his apartment here suffering from a nervous breakdown, escaped from his nurse and shot himself while the

VILLA COUNCIL HOLDS SECRET CONFERENCES

Proceedings of Council of
War Reported in Conference
in Chihuahua, While
Secret, Are Dominating
Note in Mexican Situation.

URGING VILLA
TO WITHDRAW

Persons in Confidence of
Villa Family Say Villa's
Wife Is at Chihuahua
Trying to Persuade Him
to Quit.

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]

EL PASO, Texas, Dec. 17.—The proceedings of the Villa council of war at Chihuahua City, reported in conference by arrivals from the capital last night, was the dominating note in the Mexican situation here today. The proceedings of the council are held secret.

Persons in the confidence of the Villa family at Juarez said today that General Francisco Villa, who is at the capital, was endeavoring to persuade General Vial to resign his command and cross the border.

Representatives of the Mexican company, Ltd., of the Pearson Syndicate, whose employees are held for the alleged non-payment of wages to Mexican workmen, were informed today that all thirty of their American employees arrived yesterday at Chihuahua from Chihuahua City last night, and reported when they left the capital at Tuesday only three were held prisoners at Juarez near Madera. The information today accounted for the 27 who escaped to the south had evidently been captured. The representatives of the Pearson company have been given notice to return to the duties, estimated at 30,000 pesos. The other Villa demand, for \$100,000, under threat of destruction of property owned by them, met the local representatives.

This demand, according to Juarez officials, was based on a loan of one million and a half pesos to the Villa for currency when Villa's paper currency was quoted at 25 cents for the rebuilding of burned buildings. One million pesos were loaned for the rebuilding of burned buildings. The entire loan in gold or silver at the original rate of exchange, although the Villa paper currency is now worthless, would amount to \$37,500,000. Villa may escape his threat, it is feared, of destroying the Pearson properties in Chihuahua, representing millions of dollars.

It was reported in Juarez that Col. Hipolito Villa, financial agent of the Villa government, who returned today from Chihuahua City, brought with him two million pesos of the new Villa currency, mixed from confiscated bullion with which to buy supplies for the Villa army.

The Carranza consulate announced today that in conjunction with Oregon it was working to secure the allegiance of 18 Villa generals and officers with commands now at Chihuahua.

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The committee made several changes in the bill in line with war

department regulations. The preamble, declaring the purpose of the United States to grant independence "when the people of the Philippines shall have shown themselves to be fitted therefor," now reads "when it will be to the permanent interest of the people of the Philippines to do so."

The policy against polygamy was changed so as to prohibit contracting hereafter of polygamies or plural marriages.

An effort to pass the bill through both houses probably will be made soon after the holidays.